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SUBJECT: STATISTICS AND PROCESSING OF CUBAN EMIGREES

REF: A) HAVANA 1481 (NOTAL), B) MADRID 2456 (NOTAL),
C) STATE 136361 (NOTAL) D) KINGSTON 3187 (NOTAL)

1. IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR STATISTICS IN REF A, TEN-
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YEAR AVERAGE FOR IV ISSUANCE TO CUBANS WAS 4, 401 FROM 1967-
1976; 1974 SAW 2,689 ISSUED; 1975, 740; 1976, 1440. VO
STATISTICS FOR 1977 NOT YET COMPILED.

2. IV ISSUANCE FIGURES FOR MARCH (REF C) SHOW 51 IVS ISSUED
IN MARCH BY ALL ADDRESSEE POSTS OTHER THAN HAVANA. THIS
RATE OVER A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD WOULD TOTAL 612 ISSUANCES.

EVEN ALLOWING FOR APPROXIMATELY 10 IVS A MONTH HAVANA HAS BEEN PROCESSING, IT APPEARS THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DROP OFF IN NUMBER OF CUBAN EMIGREES WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR IVS. ADDRESSEES' IMPRESSIONS AS TO WHETHER FEWER CUBANS ARE IN FACT BEING ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE WOULD BE WELCOME.

3. FOR KINGSTON: FAMILY OF ONE CUBAN EMIGREE REPORTS HE WAS REQUIRED TO DEPOSIT 600 DOLLARS WITH JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT BEFORE GIVEN TRANSIT VISA AND STILL HAD TO WAIT 48

HOURS FOR SUCH VISA AFTER ISSUANCE OF IV AT USINT HAVANA. PLEASE REPORT ON NEED FOR DEPOSIT FOR CUBANS TO TRANSIT JAMAICA AND TIME FRAME FOR ISSUANCE OF VISA.

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